

§ 321.1

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§ 321.1 Purpose and applicability.

(a) This part establishes rules, policies and procedures for the disclosure of personal records in the custody of the Defense Security Service (DSS) to the individual subjects, the handling of requests for amendment or correction of such records, appeal and review of DSS decisions on these matters, and the application of general and specific exemptions, under the provisions of the Privacy Act of 1974. It also prescribes other policies and procedures to effect compliance with the Privacy Act of 1974 and DoD Directive 5400.11¹.

(b) The procedures set forth in this part do not apply to DSS personnel seeking access to records pertaining to themselves which previously have been available. DSS personnel will continue to be granted ready access to their personnel, security, and other records by making arrangements directly with the maintaining office. DSS personnel should contact the Office of Freedom of Information and Privacy, DSSHQ, for access to investigatory records pertaining to themselves or any assistance in obtaining access to other records pertaining to themselves, and may follow the procedures outlined in these rules in any case.

§ 321.2 Definitions.

(a) All terms used in this part which are defined in 5 U.S.C. 552a shall have the same meaning herein.

(b) As used in this part, the term agency means the Defense Security Service.

§ 321.3 Information and procedures for requesting notification.

(a) *General.* Any individual may request and receive notification of whether he is the subject of a record in any system of records maintained by DSS using the information and procedures described in this section.

(1) Paragraphs (b) and (c) of this section give information that will assist

an individual in determining in what systems of DSS records (if any) he may be the subject. This information is presented as a convenience to the individual in that he may avoid consulting the lengthy systems notices elsewhere in the Federal Register.

(2) Paragraph (d) of this section details the procedure an individual should use to contact DSS and request notification. It will be helpful if the individual states what his connection with DSS has or may have been, and about what record system(s) he is inquiring. Such information is not required, but its absence may cause some delay.

(b) *DSS Records Systems.* A list of DSS records systems is available by contacting Defense Security Service, Office of FOI and Privacy, 1340 Braddock Place, Alexandria, VA, 22314-1551.

(c) *Categories of individuals in DSS Record Systems.* (1) Any person who is the subject or co-subject of an ongoing or completed investigation by DSS should have an investigative case file/record in system V5-01, if the record meets retention criteria. An index to such files should be in V5-02.

(2) If an individual has ever made a formal request to DSS under the Freedom of Information Act or the Privacy Act of 1974, a record pertaining to that request under the name of the requester, or subject matter, will be in system V1-01.

(3) Persons of Counterintelligence interest who have solicited from industrial contractors/DoD installations information which may appear to be sensitive in nature may have a record in system V5-04.

(4) Individuals who have been applicants for employment with DSS, or nominees for assignment to DSS, but who have not completed their DSS affiliation, may be subjects in systems V4-04, V5-01, V5-02, V5-03, or V6-01.

(5) Any individual who is a subject, victim or cross-referenced personally in an investigation by an investigative element of any DoD component, may be referenced in the Defense Clearance and Investigations Index, system V5-02, in an index to the location, file number, and custodian of the case record.

(6) Individuals who have ever presented a complaint to or have been

¹Copies may be obtained via internet at <http://web7.whs.osd.mil/corres.htm>.